

Albany, Ga. – Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. (GA-02) today announced that Sara Barge of Deerfield Windsor in Albany, GA is the winner of the 2010 Congressional Art Competition. Barge's colored pencil work, "untitled," will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol, along with the winning entries from other Congressional districts across the country.

"The goal of the Congressional Art Competition is to encourage young artists, promote art education and give recognition to the outstanding work that our schools are doing to enable young people to realize their potential," Bishop said at today's award ceremony. "Miss Barge's work is a worthy representation of the artistic talent in Southwest Georgia. She should be proud of this accomplishment."

In addition to the winning entry, the following runners-up were selected:

Second runner up: Elizabeth Pollack, of Peach County High, Fort Valley, GA, for her pencil drawing, entitled "Faerie;"

Third runner up: Kelly Canady, of Thomas County Central High School, Thomasville, GA, for her marker, water-color pencil, and magazine collage, entitled "Girl;" and

Honorable Mention: Anna Germany, of Deerfield Windsor, Albany, GA, for her colored pencil drawing, "untitled."

Judges for this year's Second District contest were Mr. Al Smith, of A.K. Smith & Associates, Ms. Vicky Stephens, of Westmoreland & Patterson, and Mr. Chauncey Grant, of Paragon, Inc.

Initiated by Members of Congress in 1982, the Congressional Art Competition is an annual art competition that allows high school students from all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Territories to showcase their artistic ability. The winning works from each Congressional District are displayed in a year-long exhibit in the Cannon tunnel that leads to the U.S. Capitol building.

## **Bishop Announces Winner of Congressional Art Competition**

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